

**COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN  
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**ACTION MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 4, 2003**

**SCAG Offices  
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Los Angeles, CA 90017**

**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG's OFFICE.**

The Community, Economic & Human Development Committee held its meeting at the SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles, California. There was a quorum.

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Chair William Alexander called the meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor William Alexander, <b>Chair</b>	SANBAG Subregion
Councilmember Paul Bowlen	City of Cerritos
Councilmember Edward Burgnon	SANBAG Subregion
Councilmember Jeff Comerchero	WRCOG Subregion
Mayor Cristina Cruz Madrid	SGVCOG Subregion
Councilmember Betty DeSantis	Las Virgenes Malibu Conejo COG
Councilmember Bart Doyle	City of Sierra Madre
Councilmember Alta E. Duke, <b>Vice-chair</b>	City of La Palma
Councilmember Susan Longville	SANBAG Subregion
Councilmember Keith McCarthy	City of Downey
Mayor Kathryn McCullough	OCCOG Subregion
Mayor John McTaggart	South Bay Cities COG
Councilmember Paul Nowatka	City of Torrance
Mayor Bev Perry	City of Brea
Councilmember Bedford Pinkard	City of Oxnard
Mayor Charles White	WRCOG Subregion
Councilmember Bob Yousefian	City of Glendale

## **MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Councilmember Melanie Andrews  
Mayor Ken Blackwood  
Councilmember Gary Bosworth  
Supervisor Robert Buster  
Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dispenza  
Councilmember Josie Gonzales  
Councilmember Wendy Greuel  
Councilmember Manuel Guillen  
Councilmember Janice Hahn  
Mayor Ronald Loveridge  
Councilmember Efren J. Moreno, Jr.  
Councilmember Alex Padilla  
Councilmember Jan Perry  
Councilmember Marsha Ramos  
Councilmember Ed Reyes  
Councilmember Laura Richardson-Batts  
Councilmember Deborah Robertson  
Councilmember M. Jo Shields  
Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran

City of Compton  
City of Lomita  
CVAG Subregion  
County of Riverside  
City of Palmdale  
SANBAG Subregion  
City of Los Angeles  
Gateway Cities COG  
City of Los Angeles  
City of Riverside  
San Gabriel Valley COG  
City of Los Angeles  
City of Los Angeles  
Arroyo Verdugo Subregion  
City of Los Angeles  
City of Long Beach  
SANBAG Subregion  
City of Brawley  
OCCOG Subregion

## **2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no public comments at this meeting.

## **3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following consent calendar items were MOVED (McCarthy), SECONDED (McTaggart) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. During the approval of the consent calendar, suggestions took place on Item 3.2.3. Councilmember McCarthy suggested indicating CEHD's position in preparing the Legislative Matrix.

### **3.1 Approval Items**

#### **3.1.1 Minutes of the September 4, 2003 Meeting**

### **3.2 Receive and File**

#### **3.2.1 HOME Grants and In-fill Housing Opportunities Workshop**

#### **3.2.2 Intergovernmental Review (IGR) Report Activity Report 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2003**

#### **3.2.3 CEHD Legislative Matrix**

## 4.0 ACTION ITEM

### 4.1 Adjustments to the Trend Projections for use as No Project RTP/EIR Alternative

Ms. Harris informed members that this action item is before the Committee, seeking the Committee's direction to make adjustments to the Trend Projections based on the new three-year data available to SCAG from the State. Ms. Harris added that SCAG Staff discussed the new State data and the potential of revising the Trend Projections with the Subregions and the Plans and Programs Technical Advisory Committee. And that there is consensus to move forward making adjustments to the Trend Projections.

Ms. Harris gave a summary of the discrepancies. They are: 1) the population appears to be underestimated in SCAG's forecast; 2) SCAG's households data appear to be overestimated; and 3) SCAG's job projections appear to be overestimated.

Ms. Harris conveyed to the Committee that SCAG Staff continues to review the numbers and, at the suggestion of the Plans and Programs Technical Advisory Committee, to investigate current building permit data to further substantiate making adjustments.

SCAG Staff's recommendation is for the Committee to give direction to finish work and make adjustments to the Trend Projections and to use the adjusted Trend Projections as the No Project RTP/EIR Alternative, and to then present the adjusted Trend Projections, the results of the evaluation of the Trend and the other five projections at the Joint Policy Committee special meetings on September 11 and 29, 2003.

**ACTION:** It was MOVED (Perry) and SECONDED (DeSantis) AND UNANIMOUSLY AGREED to **adopt recommended action directing staff to make adjustments to the Trend Projections according to the recent DOF Population, Household, and EDD Employment data for 2000 – 2003 for use as No Project RTP/EIR Alternative.**

## 5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

### 5.1 Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) Housing Implementation Strategy

Councilmember Keith McCarthy of City of Downey presented to the Committee the Gateway Cities Council of Governments' (GCCOG) Housing Implementation Strategy study in solving the regional housing shortage. Councilmember McCarthy provided a brief overview of the housing crisis, a detailed examination of various impediments to housing production and the SWOT (Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analysis to better define the Council of Governments' role in housing development. The report also offered a set of recommendations for future and continued action for the GCCOG.

The Chair thanked Councilmember McCarthy for his report.

## **5.2 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Presentation**

Mr. Joe Carreras, Lead Planner at SCAG, gave a presentation on the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Allocations Supporting Infill Development. Mr. Carreras discussed the 2003 affordable housing survey summary, the development trends, and the preliminary findings of the report.

The Chair thanked Mr. Carreras for his report.

## **5.3 Economic Forecast Conference**

Mr. Bruce DeVine, Senior Economist at SCAG, informed the Committee that SCAG will hold its seventh annual Regional Economic Forecast Conference on Thursday, November 13, 2003 at the Hyatt Newporter in Newport Beach. Mr. DeVine gave the Committee an update on the preparations for the conference, this year targeting an audience of 300 which is more than double the previous years' conference.

Mr. DeVine also informed the Committee of the speakers naming those who were confirmed such as Tod Ridgeway, Mayor of Newport Beach, will give the kickoff address; Bev Perry, SCAG President and Mayor of City of Brea, will give the opening remarks along with Mark Pisano, Executive Officer of SCAG.

Mr. DeVine encouraged CEHD members to attend and to reach out to their colleagues in their neighboring cities in order to get people to attend this important event.

## **5.4 Growth Visioning Subcommittee Report**

Mayor Bev Perry, Chair of the Growth Visioning Subcommittee, reported that the Subcommittee has not met over the summer but staff and consultants at Fregonese Calthorpe Associates are working on developing growth alternatives for the 2004 RTP. The hybrid growth alternative will be presented to the Growth Visioning Subcommittee's regular scheduled meeting on September 25, 2003 for review and feedback prior to the RTP meeting on September 29, 2003.

Mayor Perry encouraged members to participate in the Growth Visioning Subcommittee meeting and RTP workshop.

## **5.5 Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Update of Litigation**

Attorney Colin Lennard, SCAG Legal Counsel, announced moving Closed Session Item 9.0 – Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) lawsuit to Information Item because nothing has happened with the case since the Committee's July 31, 2003 meeting.

SCAG Legal Counsel will report back to the Committee regarding the Court's final judgment.

## **6.0 THE CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair did not have a report at this meeting.

## **7.0 STAFF REPORT / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **7.1 RHNA Legislative Working Group**

Ms. Lynn Harris, Manager of Community Development at SCAG, updated the Committee on the State Housing and Community Development Housing Element Reform Working Group which met on August 15, 2003.

There are four more meetings scheduled for the remainder of the year, two in September, one in October, and one in November. Staff will continue to update the Committee on these meetings particularly when regional issues are discussed.

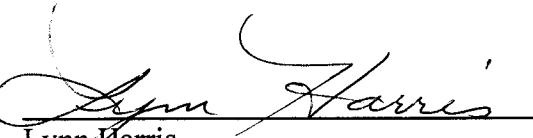
A brief discussion ensued with the Committee asking questions about RHNA Legislative Working Group meeting.

## **8.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no future agenda items scheduled at this meeting.

## **9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next CEHD meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 2, 2003 at SCAG.

Signed:   
Lynn Harris  
Manager, Community Development